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# TRANSFER TIMES



## Happy New Year & Welcome to 2016!



Welcome to Spring 2016! I hope all of you had a relaxing holiday break and are ready to start the Spring semester. With the start of the new year, it's a good time to turn over a new leaf and set some new goals for this se-

mester. Think about purchasing your books as soon as possible to stay caught up with course reading and assignments. Think about visiting your instructor to introduce yourself and

especially if you have questions about classwork. Get started on studying early. Don't procrastinate. It is recommended that you spend 2-3 hours studying per week for each unit that you are enrolled in. Lastly, take advantage of campus tutoring services and learning skills workshops in the Learning Resource Center if you want to strive.

## Congratulations Spring 2016 Book Grant Recipients

Congratulations to the TAP students who received a book grant for the spring semester! We were able to award 21 applicants with a spring book grant that ranged from \$400-\$500 dollars. Don't miss out on applying for a book grant for summer session. Be sure to turn in an application.

Spring 2016 book grant recipients, remember to turn in your receipts by Tuesday, February 2, 2016.

**Spring 2016 Book Grant Recipients will be notified.**

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### Special points of interest:

- **Check out which campuses we'll be visiting in February.**
- **Need money for school? Look inside!**
- **AB 540 Students should complete the CA Dream Act Application for**



## February Campus Trip

Are you thinking about transferring to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Have you visited their campus to confirm that you want to transfer there? If you haven't visited the campus, think about joining us on Friday, February

19, 2016 on a TAP Campus Trip. Sign ups for this campus trip will begin the January 27th. Be on the look out for an email from TAP staff with details about a sign up date. You can sign up in the Transfer Center.

## Spring Semester Meeting

Our Spring meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 2, 2016 from 2-3 pm in Room H-307**. Come hear what we have planned for the Spring semester, which campuses we are going to visit and ways you can get money to pay for your education next year. Remember that the Semester meetings are mandatory, if you are unable to make it due to school or work, stop by our office so you can get credit for attending the meeting. Students spread the word if you see a fellow TAP student. Remind them about the monthly meeting for us. Help us stay connected with you!



## Don't Risk Being Deactivated



Remember that as a member of the TAP program, you are required to meet with us at least once a semester. If you weren't able to meet with us during the Fall semester, then you need to schedule a follow-up appointment ASAP. If you don't meet with us for a follow up meeting, you risk the chance of being deactivated from the program. If you met with us in the Fall, thank you for staying on top of things and remember to schedule your follow-up for the spring in order to maintain your active status.

## Fall 2016 Transfer Students

Welcome to your last semester at Santa Barbara City College. This semester is going to be filled with all sorts of emotions as you begin to hear from the schools that you applied to. We want to make sure that you have a smooth transition to the four-year college of your choice which is why it is so

important that you meet with us this semester. If you applied to the UC's or SDSU or CSULB hopefully you already submitted your supplemental application and/or updated your application. If you are unsure of what your next steps are don't worry we are here for you. It is important that you

continue to check your email, this is how the schools will be notifying you of your admission status. As soon as you hear from the colleges schedule an appointment with us so we can discuss your next steps. And save the date for this years **Recognition Ceremony which will be held on Saturday, May 7,**



## Need Money to Pay for School Next Year?

### **Scholarships**

The 2016-2017 Foundation Scholarships for Santa Barbara City College are available now until March 2, 2016. You can apply online at [www.sbccc.edu/scholarshipapplication](http://www.sbccc.edu/scholarshipapplication).

The Santa Barbara Scholarship Foundation also offers scholarships and no

interest loans to continuing college students. Applications are due January 31, 2016. You can apply online at: [http://www.sbscholarship.org/students/loan\\_apply/index.html](http://www.sbscholarship.org/students/loan_apply/index.html)

Stop by our office or the financial aid office to pick up the list of available scholarships. Don't be left out, no late

applications will be accepted!

### **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

Have you renewed your FAFSA application? Have you ever applied for FAFSA? If you answered no to both questions then you need to. The priority filing date for FAFSA is going on right now until March



**Don't break the bank... apply for a scholarship and FAFSA!**

## 2015-2016 Financial Aid For AB 540 Students

The **2015-2016 California Dream Application** is available online as of **January 2, 2016**. AB 540 students **MUST** complete and submit the application by **March 2, 2016** in order to be considered for financial aid for the 2015 -2016 school year. You can find the application at: [www.caldreamact.org](http://www.caldreamact.org)

If you have questions, visit the SBCC Financial Aid Office in the Student Services Building. For more information about the California Dream Act, go to: [www.sbccc.edu/dreamact](http://www.sbccc.edu/dreamact)